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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e)(1), copies of the following patents and/or publications are submitted herewith:

U.S. Patent No. 5,161,991 (Bauer), dated November 10, 1992;

U.S. Patent No. 5,215,474 (Rotella), dated June 1, 1993;

U.S. Patent No. 5,340,641 (Xu), dated August 23, 1994;

Published French Patent Application No. 2 726 941 (Val Christian), dated May 15, 1996, device for protecting an electronic component against the effects of an electro-magnetic field or other static loads;

International Publication No. WO 96/02922 A2 (Shrier et al.), dated February 1, 1996;

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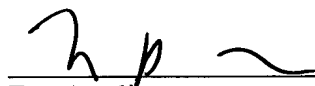
French Search Report, dated August 2, 2002.

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